

Air Pollution Control Board

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NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

FOR DISCUSSION OF IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW AIRBORNE TOXIC CONTROL MEASURE FOR EMISSIONS OF HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM AND CADMIUM FROM MOTOR VEHICLE AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT COATINGS

The San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (District) will hold a public meeting to discuss the implementation of a new state Air Resources Board (ARB) Airborne Toxic Control Measure for Emissions of Hexavalent Chromium and Cadmium from Motor Vehicle and Mobile Equipment Coatings (Automotive Coatings ATCM). Under the California Health and Safety Code, the District is required to implement and enforce state airborne toxic control measures. Comments concerning local implementation of the control measure may be submitted in writing before, or made at, the workshop which is scheduled as follows:

DATE: Monday, June 23, 2003

TIME: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

PLACE: San Diego Air Pollution Control District

Conference Room 139 9150 Chesapeake Drive San Diego, CA 92123

On September 20, 2001, ARB adopted a new regulation (Title 17, California Code of Regulations, Section 93112) designed to reduce public exposure to two toxic air contaminants: hexavalent chromium and cadmium. Exposure to hexavalent chromium and cadmium, which are emitted to the air when products containing them are used, may result in cancer and noncancer health effects to workers and nearby residents. These two contaminants are sometimes contained in automotive coatings used to finish or refinish (paint or repaint) motor vehicles and mobile equipment.

The new control measure will apply to manufacturers, distributors, and coating (painting) activities at motor vehicle and/or mobile equipment coating facilities such as Original Equipment Manufacturing (OEM) facilities, autobody repair/paint shops, production autobody paint shops, new car dealer repair/paint shops, fleet operator repair/paint shops, custom-made car fabrication facilities, truck body-builders, and residences. The Automotive Coatings ATCM does not apply to plating activities. Motor vehicles and mobile equipment include passenger cars, trucks, trailers, tractors, construction equipment, implements of husbandry, camper shells, utility bodies, locomotives, railcars, trolleys, military equipment, and aircraft ground support equipment. Specifically, the new Automotive Coatings ATCM:

- Prohibits the sale, supply, offer for sale, or manufacture for sale in California of any automotive coating manufactured on and after January 1, 2003, that contains hexavalent chromium or cadmium.
- Specifies that an automotive coating manufactured prior to January 1, 2003, that
 contains hexavalent chromium or cadmium may be sold, supplied, or offered for sale
 in California until June 30, 2003. This sell-through period does not apply to
 automotive coatings that do not display the date of manufacture, or code indicating
 such date.
- Requires that after December 31, 2003, no owner or operator of a painting facility that coats motor vehicles or mobile equipment may use or <u>possess</u> (i.e., have on the premises or elsewhere) an automotive coating that contains hexavalent chromium or cadmium.
- Specifies that a coating is considered to contain hexavalent chromium or cadmium if either was introduced as a pigment or as an additive to impart a coating characteristic or property during manufacture, distribution, or use of the applicable coating.
- Requires manufacturers of automotive coatings containing hexavalent chromium or cadmium to display on each product container the day, month, and year on which the coating was manufactured, or a code indicating such date.
- Provides an exemption for any automotive coating containing hexavalent chromium or cadmium that is manufactured or sold in California for shipment and use outside of California. This exemption does not apply to retail outlets in California.

As of January 19, 2003, the Automotive Coatings ATCM became enforceable by the Air Pollution Control District.

Copies of the Automotive Coatings ATCM may be obtained from the Air Resources Board web site, http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/autoref/fro.pdf, or you may call Luann Serbesku at (858) 650-4544. If you have any questions concerning the requirements of the ATCM or its implementation, please call Randy Consolacion at (858) 650-4536 or Steven Moore at (858) 650-4598.

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